

sustained, or lost in carrying out the measure—including regional and State level estimates (by a recorded vote of 174 ayes to 245 noes, Roll No. 28).

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Withdrawn:

Quigley amendment (No. 6 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–383) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have required the CBO to establish a website where taxpayers could enter their annual income and receive an estimate of the amount of their projected contribution to or receipt from any applicable major bill or resolution over the next 10 years, assuming the taxpayer has constant annual income and

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Flake amendment (No. 7 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–383) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have lowered the threshold for requiring a dynamic score from .25% of the current GDP to \$5 billion.

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H. Res. 534, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3578) and (H.R. 3582), was agreed to by a recorded vote of 238 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 22, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 21.

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Baseline Reform Act of 2012: The House began consideration of H.R. 3578, to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to reform the budget baseline. Further proceedings were postponed.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of the Rules Committee Print 112–9 dated January 25, 2012 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Budget now printed in the bill.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H387.

Senate Referral: S. 1296 was held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H394–95, H395, H395–96, H413–14, H414, H415, H415–16, H416, H418, and H418–19. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

STATE OF THE U.S. ECONOMY

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The State of the U.S. Economy”. Testimony was heard from Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

CHALLENGES FACING PBGC AND DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Health, Labor and Pensions held a hearing entitled “Examining the Challenges Facing PBGC and Defined Benefit Pension Plans”. Testimony was heard from Joshua Gotbaum, Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation; and public witnesses.

COLLAPSE OF MF GLOBAL

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “The Collapse of MF Global: Part 2”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IRAN’S AGENDA IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Ahmadinejad’s Tour of Tyrants and Iran’s Agenda in the Western Hemisphere”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

POST-ELECTION DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a hearing entitled “U.S. Policy Toward Post-Election Democratic Republic of Congo”. Testimony was heard from Donald Y. Yamamoto, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; Daniel B. Baer, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State; and Sarah E. Mendelson, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development.

CONTINGENT FEES AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN STATE AG ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL LAW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing entitled “Contingent Fees and Conflicts of Interest in State AG Enforcement of Federal Law”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FAST AND FURIOUS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Fast and Furious: Management Failures at the Department of Justice”. Testimony was heard from Eric Holder, Attorney General, Department of Justice.

FUTURE OF THE FAMILY FARM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade held a hearing entitled “The Future of the Family Farm: The Effect of Proposed DOL Regulations on Small Business Producers”. Testimony was heard from Nancy J. Leppink, Deputy Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor; Bob Tabb, Deputy Commissioner, West Virginia State Department of Agriculture; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a markup of H.R. 7, the “American Energy and Infrastructure Jobs Act”. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

LOWERING UNEMPLOYMENT FOR THE NATIONAL GUARD

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing entitled “Lowering the Rate of Unemployment for the National Guard”. Testimony was heard from MG Terry M. Haston, Adjutant General, Tennessee National Guard; MG Timothy E. Orr, Adjutant General, Iowa National Guard; BG Margaret Washburn, Assistant Adjutant General, Indiana National Guard; BG Marianne Watson, Director, Manpower and Personnel, National Guard Bureau; Ronald G. Young, Director, Family and Employer Program and Policy, Department of Defense; Ismael “Junior” Ortiz, Acting Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION'S DEATH MASTER FILE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the accuracy and uses of the Social Security Administration's Death Master File. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner, Social Security Administration; Patrick P. O'Carroll, Jr., Inspector General, Social Security Administration; and public witnesses.

WORLD THREATS

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “World Threats”. This hearing began as an open hearing and moved to a closed hearing. Testimony was heard from James

R. Clapper, Director of National Intelligence; David Petraeus, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency; Lieutenant General Ronald L. Burgess, Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense; and Robert S. Mueller, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Joint Meetings**TEMPORARY PAYROLL TAX CUT CONTINUATION ACT**

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 3630, to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to the call.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D65)

H.R. 3237, to amend the SOAR Act by clarifying the scope of coverage of the Act. Signed on February 1, 2012. (Public Law 112–92)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel and Oversight and Investigations, hearing on accountability at Arlington National Cemetery, 11:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing entitled “Evaluating Internal Operation and Implementation of the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program (CFATS) by the Department of Homeland Security”, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Power, continue hearing entitled “American Jobs Now: A Legislative Hearing on H.R. 3548, the North American Energy Access Act”, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management, hearing entitled “Is DHS Effectively Implementing a Strategy to Counter Emerging Threats?”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on the following: H.R. 3041, the “Federal Consent Decree Fairness Act” and H.R. 3862, the “Sunshine for Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act”, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.